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OF

THE FAMILY

OF

DELAMERE, DELAMAR, DE LA MER,

&c.,

OF DONORE, STREATE, AND BALLYNEFID,

IN THE

COUNTY OF WESTMEATH.

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The groundwork of the following Memoir has been a very ancient Pedigree commenced in 1739, and which, with continuations, was verified in 1746, by the attestations of the Archbishop of Dublin, the Bishop of Meath, and the Lord Mayor of Dublin, as well as by James Nugent, Provincial of the Franciscan order in Ireland, (of which order was the fraternity of Multifernham), by Joseph Dowling, then Provincial of the ex-calced Carmelites, by Philip O'Reilly, Vicar General of Armagh, and by Martin Morrissy, Archdeacon of Kells. In 1785, it was, with the then required additional links, verified by Dr. Plunkett, then Bishop of Meath; and yet again, in 1840, by Dr. Crolly, Primate of Armagh; Dr. Cantwell, Bishop of Meath; Sir Percy Nugent of Donore, Deputy-Lieutenant and Baronet, and by Owen Daly, a Justice of Peace in the vicinity.

This venerable document, drawn up on a narrow roll, several yards in length, thick paper, with the arms of the Delameres, and the quarterings of their matches finely emblazoned, running down all the links, is now in the possession of Mrs. Connell Loughnan, of Lower Gardiner-street, whose father, the late Dr. Brennan of Dublin, was married to Miss Daly of the Broughal line in the Memoir alluded to, and who, it is believed, obtained it through Miss Fanny Mc Awley, commonly called the Countess Mc Awley, from the late Peter Delamere of Lacken.

The dates, links, and facts, have been tested throughout by the present compiler, as shown in the notes of authorities.

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Rollo the Dane, having, at the close of the ninth century, established a settlement for himself and his people in Normandy,* obtained in 912 the hand of Gisler, daughter of Charles the Simple, King of France ; and had by her, amongst other children, a daughter, Griselda, whom he gave in marriage to

[1] Fitz-Herbert; who having been an able commander of Rollo's fleet, was popularly styled "De-la-Mer," which means "of the sea." He obtained from Rollo a large tract of country near Evreux, in Upper Normandy, and had by his aforesaid wife,

[2] Walter, their only son ; who, marrying Arabella, daughter of the Marquess of Alençon, had issue

[3] William, who was created Marquess of Evreux. He intermarried with Louisa, daughter of Louis, Marquess of Avranches, by whom he had

[4] Matthew, his eldest son ; who married Constance, daughter of James, Count of Countance, and had by her

[5] Herbert Delamere, who was one of the knights

* Thierry's Norman Conquest, Book II.

selected by William the Conqueror, to be his companion in arms in the descent on England.

> Cil ki ert sire d'Aubemare,
> * * * * *
> E li sire de Litehare,
> E cil de Touke et De-la-Mare.*

So is his attendance recorded in the Norman French of Wale's "*Roman de Rou* (Rollo) *et Des Ducs de Normandie ;*" while another list, published in Hearne's Edition of *Leland's Collections*, brings out the Delamere in other company :

> Hurle et Hussee,
> Longville et Longespe,
> De Wake et De-la-War,
> De la March et De-la-Mare.

Herbert did not, however, leave Normandy without off-shoots of his name, who have upheld its repute in that country. A Monsieur Geoffrey De la Mere† attended Robert Curtoise and Godfrey de Bouillon in the first Crusade of 1099, to the conquest of Jerusalem ; and in the " Catalogue of the Knights renowned in Normandie, when Philip Augustus conquered that Duchy in 1202," (soon after which it was annexed to the Crown of France,) occurs the name of Galeran De-la-Mare. Herbert De-la-Mere, by reason of his valour and his fidelity to William, had an early grant of possessions in Cheshire. According to some ancient authorities,‡ he then acquired

* Dumoulin's Normandy, p. 184.
† Dumoulin's Normandy. Appendix, p. 11.
‡ Sir Thomas Hawley's Collections, temp. Henry VIII.

Sir Thomas Hawley was King at Arms to Henry VIII

that tract there, which is still, and it is suggested from his name, called Delamere Forest. This tract, as evidenced by an old survey in the British Museum, contained sixty-two townlands; and certainly the Domesday Survey describes Hugh "De-Mara" as an occupant in Cheshire, while William "De la Mari," is, on the same great book of the Landed Gentry of England, ranked as a "tenant in capite," (a class of the highest proprietors, as they held immediately from the Crown,) in Dorsetshire. Herbert married Eleonora, daughter of Richard, Earl of Montague; and their son and heir was

[6] Walter De-la-Mere, who married Frances, daughter of John Russell, (ancestor of the Earls and Dukes of Bedford) and who was, according to Sir Thomas Hawley, created Lord Delamere, Baron of Delamere Forest. The eldest son of this marriage was named by ancestral respect, another

[7] Herbert, styled Lord De-la-Mere, who became the husband of Juliana, daughter of John West, the progenitor of Sir Thomas West; who was the favourite of Edward the Second, and was called to Parliament in 1342, as Baron West, and from whom sprung the Earls of Delawar. The sons of this marriage were Walter, the eldest, who succeeded to his father's title and estates,* in the enjoyment of which he and his line continued in England, while his brother, the second son of Herbert,

[8] William Delamere, accompanied Strongbow in his expedition to Ireland in 1170, and was by him placed high in command Henry the Second, when he came over himself to this country in the following year,

* Ormerod's Cheshire, vol. i., p. 360, &c.

knighted this William and allocated to him a large tract in Western-Meath. The locality thus assigned to William, was a test of the labour and fidelity attributed to him, being situated in the very verge of the Pale, (then the circuit of English government,) and more especially exposed to the constant and harrassing assaults of the Irishry of Annaly, the O'Ferralls of Longford. Sir William, with the politic object of conciliating the natives, selected for his wife the daughter of a Prince of that great House which theretofore ruled over Ireland, Dorothy O'Melaghlin, who was also maternally descended from the O'Rourkes, Princes of West Brefney (Leitrim). He fixed his seat at Donore, on Lough Derrivaragh, and had by his said wife,

[9] Herbert De-la-Mere, who, having married, first Mary, daughter of Myles O'Reilly, chief of East Brefney (Cavan), got with her a most extensive district, "from the bridge of Balnacor, to a ford called Beallach-bane near Granard." These lands, Herbert settled upon the son of *this* marriage, by whom and his posterity they were enjoyed for centuries, as "the Delameres' country", until it was, by an Irish Statute of 1543,* directed to be thenceforth called the Barony of Rossaugh. Herbert married a second wife, Anne, daughter of Roger O'Ferrall of the Annaly Sept, by whom he had

[10] Richard Delamere of Donore, who succeeded his father there; and, marrying Elizabeth, daughter of Terence MacCoghlan, Lord of Delvin-Eatrach, in the King's County, had issue,

[11] John Delamere of Donore. About this time one

* Irish Act, 34 Henry VIII., chap. 1.

Richard was summoned to a parliament at Kilkenny in 1309. by the style of "Rich. fitz John." with John Fitz & Walter de Cusack. also hereunto names. see search of face. p. 171.

of the English Delameres, of the latter Christian name, was particularly distinguished. He was summoned in 1299, as a Baron, to perform military service against the Scots,* before and after which year he had many summonses to Parliament. He served under Edward the First in the expedition into Gascony, and was present at the memorable siege of Carlaverock† near Dumfries, in 1300. ——A noble monument in Minchin-Hampton church commemorates another Sir John Delamare, "representing him as a crusader, in plate armour and surcoat, with a lion at his feet, and on his shield an eagle displayed, being part of the arms of Delamare."‡ John Delamere of Donore married Cordula, daughter of Fromund§ Netterville, ancestor of the Viscounts of Dowth ; by whom he had a son

[12] Richard Delamere of Donore, who appears on the Rolls in the Irish Chancery as a surety or bailsman, in 1303. He married Anne, daughter of Sir John Wogan of Rathcoffy, in the County Kildare, who presided at a parliament held in Kilkenny, and was on five several occasions Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, in 1295, 1298, 1302, 1307 and 1309. The gallant Colonel Charles Wogan, who, in 1719, carried off from her prison at Inspruck, Maria Clementina Sobieski, the betrothed wife of "James the Third," son and heir of James the

* Parliamentary Writs, temp. Edward I.

† Nicolas's Carlaverock, p. 38.

‡ Lyson's Gloucestershire Ants., p. 84, and plate xxxvii.

§ This Christian name of Fromund was repeated in the Dowth Nettervilles. See Patent Roll. 10 Henry IV., in Irish Chancery Rolls.

Second, ex-King of England, was a lineal descendant of the above Sir John Wogan. Richard Delamere had, by his said wife,

[13] William, who founded the once splendid priory at Multifernham in 1306, for Franciscans. The date of this foundation is by de Burgo, Archdall, Vallancey, and others, erroneously referred to the year 1236, in the reign of Henry the Third, a period utterly inconsistent with that in which William Delamere lived. An ancient monument still existing in the grave-yard, while attributing the building to William Delamere, more accurately assigns the date of its erection to 1306.

Willielmus Delamar Amiger erexit hunc tumulum pro sese et suis, A.D. 1684. Cujus predecessor, Willielmus Delamar de Streate, Miles, fundavit et ædificavit hoc monasterium, A.D. 1306.

The family armorials engraved upon this stone, cover nearly half its surface. The establishment became henceforth the burial place of this branch of the Delameres, and many of the family became in time members of the order.

William married Mary, daughter of Sir Maurice Eustace, Baron of Castlemartin ; and their son,

[14] Edward Delamer, was in 1310 appointed* to direct and oversee the regular transmission of supplies from Ireland to the King's army in Scotland. He was the last of this line styled "of Donore," their family residence being in his time changed to Ballynefidd. It may be here remarked that in 1347, a Herbert Delamere, possibly another son of the above William, was appointed†

* Patent Roll in Chancery, 3 and 4 Edward II.

† Patent Roll in Chancery, 20 Edward III.

one of the Guardians of the Peace, within the liberty or palatinate of Trim, with power to treat with and reform the "Irish Felons," as they were termed in English legislation. In three years after, died a very remarkable member of the Delamar family in England—Thomas Delamare. He had been elected Abbot of the Monastery of Tynemouth* in Northumberland; in nine years after which, he was for his sanctity and discretion, chosen to preside over the splendid religious house at St. Alban's, whose fine remains are still reverently preserved, as are indeed most of the catholic foundations in England. King Edward the Third, after his victory at Poitiers, committed to the care, rather than the custody, of Abbot De-la-Mere, his royal captive John of France, who was for some time entertained as a guest within the venerable halls of St. Alban's; where died this Thomas Delamere, at the advanced age of 88 years. His monument is extant within the old church. The aforesaid Edward Delamere, married Katherine, daughter of —— Fleming, Lord Baron of Slane, by whom he had a son

[15] Richard, styled of Ballynefid, and commonly called "the hospitable" (says the ancient pedigree of this family). He appears on record† in 1389, as a surety or bailsman in Meath. His wife was Amelia, daughter of Sir Christopher Plunkett, Lord Baron of Killeen, ancestor of the Earls of Fingal. This Christopher had been Sheriff of Meath, *circa* 1425, and was in 1432 the Deputy of Sir Thomas Stanley (of the Derby lineage), Lord Lieutenant of Ireland. It may be interpolated, that,

* Gibson's History of Tynemouth, vol. ii., p. 344.

† Patent Roll in Chancery, 12 Richard II.

some few years previous to the time of Edward of Donore, viz. in 1373, a John Delamare was summoned* to a great council or parliament in Dublin, as from the county of the crosses of Meath; he was subsequently appointed a guardian of the peace in Corkree; while a patent roll of 1412,† recites that the king having learned that Maurice, son of this John Delamere, was in possession of the Manor of Multifernham in Meath, and had proposed to build a castle upon the bridge there, which was situated on the marches of the country of the O'Ferralls, Irish enemies, granted in consideration thereof to said Maurice, the right of levying such tolls there as were allowed to the corporate towns of Athboy, Kells, &c. Nor must it be omitted, that, at the parliament convened by Edward the Third at Westminster, in 1376, when that monarch demanded a subsidy, which the knights refused to sanction unless approved by certain nobles and prelates, the recusants elected a Peter Delamare their speaker, who strongly opposed the assessment‡ and was consequently imprisoned in Nottingham Castle. ——The son and heir of Richard Delamere of Ballynefid, by Amelia Plunkett, was

[16] James Delamere, who, by Dorothy, daughter of Sir John Fitzgerald, Knight of the ancient family of Tecroghan, had issue,

[17] John Delamere, who married Mary, daughter of Sir John Dowdall of Glaspistol, who had been in 1386 appointed§ a guardian of the Peace in the county of

* Close Roll in Chancery, 46 Edward III.

† Patent Roll in Chancery, 13 Henry IV.

‡ Archæologia (London), vol. xxii. Index, "Mare, de la."

§ Patent Roll in Chancery, 9 Richard II.

Louth, and was afterwards one of the commissioners appointed* by King Richard to assess and collect a state subsidy from that county. The son and heir of John by Mary Dowdall was

[18] Richard, who married Anne, daughter of Christopher Plunkett, who was created Baron of Dunsany, and was son of the before-mentioned Sir Christopher, ancestor of the Earls of Fingal.

[19] Robert Delamere, the son of Richard and Anne, married Katherine, daughter of —— Dillon, ancestor of the viscounts Dillon of Costello-Gallen. About this time, 1468, Geoffrey Delamere was prior of the great religious house of Tristernagh in Western Meath, an establishment not less magnificent than that of the Delameres at Multifernham. Archdall says† that this Geoffrey was arraigned for attacking the village of Taghmon, "spoiling and burning same, and destroying many of the king's subjects." A grant of land in frank-almoigne (free alms) was made to Tristernagh, by a James Delamere, in 1493, while it appears also that an Edmond Delamere "of Streat" was seized of part of the possessions of that House after the dissolution in 1590.‡ The heir of Robert Delamere by Katherine Dillon was

[20] Peter of Ballynefid, who married Honoria, daughter of John Nugent of Bracklyn, ancestor of (amongst other eminent descendants) the venerable Austrian Field Marshal, Lavallin Nugent.§ Peter had by said Honoria a son,

* Patent Roll in Chancery, 12 Richard II.

† Monast. Hib., p. 730, citing Harris's MSS. Collections.

‡ Manuscript Collections of "J. D.'"

§ See of him, Burke's Peerage, f. 1112.

[21] another Richard Delamere, who married Mary-Anne, daughter of Sir Patrick Plunkett of Kilsaran and Bewley, who was in 1497 appointed Sheriff of Louth,* and was ancestor of the Barons of Louth. This Richard and Mary-Anne had a son,

[22] a third Richard, who married Catherine, daughter of Patrick Netterville of Castletown-Kilpatrick in Meath. In a registry of the wills of the Consistorial Court of Dublin for 1472, is one of a Richard "Dela*b*er,' possibly this Richard or his father. It contains nothing, however, of any genealogical value, while it directs his interment in the churchyard of Balrothery.——Richard and Catherine had a son,

[23] Charles Delamere of Ballynefid, who intermarried with Anne, daughter of Richard Nugent, the twelfth Lord Baron of Delvin, who was in 1496 constituted commander and leader-in-chief of the forces raised for the defence of the Pale. He accompanied the Earl of Kildare to the famous battle of Knocktow in Galway, in 1504 ; was in 1527 nominated Lord Deputy of Ireland ; ten years after which he died, the ancestor of the Earls of Westmeath. Charles had by said Anne, a son,

[24] Walter Delamere of Streate, in whose time occurred the dissolution of the monastic houses ; when the old Friary of Multifernham became the property of Alderman Jans of Dublin, " who or his successors permitted the friars to settle there again, in as great or greater splendor than ever ; * * * and here it was that the fatal rebellion of 1641 was hatched and contrived." So writes Sir Henry Piers,† the grantee of Trister-

* Burke's Peerage, " Louth."

† Vallancey's Collect. Hibern., v. i., p. 68.

nagh (on the dissolution) in a sketch of the County of Westmeath, but Archdall does not adopt the imputation. Walter Delamere is recorded to have been seized, in 1563, of the lands of Rathaspec in Westmeath, under the Earl of Kildare; and in 1595, (16th July) he, styled of Ballynefidd, executed a settlement thereof as well as of the lands of Rathrory, Portnashangan, Kilpatrick near Rathrory, and of the town and lands of Lismacaffery; he and his trustees thereby conveying the said premises to Walter Nugent of Drogheda and others, to certain uses. Said Walter married Juliana, daughter of John Plunkett of Rathmore in Meath; and had by her,

[25] Myles, *alias* Meyler Delamere, who, on the occasion of an inquiry held in 1611 concerning the estates of Robert Dillon of Canarstown, claimed a castle, orchard, cottages, meadow, arable land, and bog in Culvin, Westmeath, with the fishery of the river of Roosse. He married Dorothy, daughter of Sir John Dillon of the County Meath, knight, by whom he had issue a son Richard, as appears by an inquisition taken in 1625,* which states that the above Walter died in 1616 (10th January), leaving Richard Delamere his *grandson and heir*, who at the time was aged twenty-four years and married, and this Richard appears on record† as a Trustee in 1617. As the old pedigree, long preserved in the family, is silent of this son, it may be presumed that he died without issue male. Myles had another son, who, according to family usage and respect, bore the Christian name of his grandfather,

* Inquis. Westmeath, in Chancery.

† Inquis. Westmeath, 1634, in Chancery.

[26] Walter, of Streate, a very distinguished individual, of whom hereafter. It should, however, be here mentioned, that amongst others of the name then existing were Edmund Delamere, styled of Streate, who was about the year 1590 seized of the wood of Derfadd and part of the red bog adjoining ;* while another *post mortem* inquisition was taken at Mullingar, of the property of Herbert, son of Meyler Delamere in 1591 ;† —and yet another more relevant in 1608,‡ on a William Delamere, in the adjoining County of Longford. This William, immediately previous to holding that inquiry, had died seized of the castle and lands of Fulmorte, connected hereafter with the family under consideration; and in the following year (1609), the wardship of his son and heir Richard was committed, *durante minoritate*, to Patrick Fox.§ In the last year, a James Delamere died seized in fee of premises in Rathowen-Richard, leaving issue two daughters, infants, his co-heiresses.‖

Walter Delamere of Streate, before alluded to, was Governor of the County of Longford, and Colonel of a regiment which himself had raised for the cause of King Charles the First during the civil war of 1641. Of this regiment all the officers were Delameres, so widely spread was then the consequence and loyalty of the family ; while the majority of the soldiers were either their kinsmen, their fosterers, or their tenants. Colonel Walter, at the head of this devoted band, essayed to

* Inquis. Westmeath, 3 Elizabeth, in Chancery.
† Inquis. 23rd August, 33 Elizabeth, Chancery.
‡ Inquis. 5 James I., Longford, in Chancery.
§ Patent Roll, 6 James I., in Chancery.
‖ Inquis. post mortem, Westmeath, 1627, in Chancery.

resist Cromwell at the storming of Drogheda ;* but he fell in the breach, and all his followers were cut down around him. Forty Delameres, heirs to estates, are said to have perished on this occasion. On Mr. Lyons's very accurate transcript of the Book of Survey and Distribution for Westmeath, appear twelve landless Delameres : Edmund, James, Henry, Myles, Richard, Nicholas, Oliver, Theobald, Thomas, William, Edward, and Walter, forfeiting a total of upwards of 9,000 statute acres, thereupon distributed amongst strangers to the people and the soil. The aforesaid Richard Delamere is described as forfeiting Ballynefid, Kilpatrick, Rathrory, Portnashangan, and Lisnecaffery, (being the same lands of which Walter executed the settlement of 1593) ; while a Theobald, who appears to have been the elder brother of Colonel Walter, and who was in 1621 a trustee of the Nugent estates in Rathconnell, Multifernham, &c., is there stated as forfeiting Streate, estimated as more than one-third of the above total. (It does not seem credible that the forfeiting Theobald was the infant son of Colonel Walter.)——It appears that even females of the family incurred the unsparing hostility of the Cromwellians, a court martial having been actually held on the 24th of March, 1651, on Margaret Delamere, in the Cathedral of St. Patrick. Two Delameres, not precisely of this line of succession, but closely akin, come under notice here ; first, William Delamer, who erected the monument before alluded to as existing at Multifernham ; and second, John Delamere, one of the Representatives for the Borough of Kells in King James's Parliament of

* See D'Alton's Drogheda, v. ii., p. 470.

1689. He was consequently attainted, but being held within the benefit of the articles of Limerick, his estate was saved. To return to Colonel Walter. He had married Mary, daughter of Sir John Aylmer of Lyons, County of Kildare, and had by her an only son

[27.] Theobald; he, having been a minor when his father fell at Drogheda in 1649, was immediately carried off to the aforesaid castle of his relative, Richard Delamere, at Fulmorte, where he found shelter until the heat of the war abated. He subsequently married Elinor, daughter of James Ledwidge of Ballyharney, who succeeded to the estates of his father, Edward Ledwidge, in 1628, but forfeited them on attainder in 1641. The issue of this marriage were two sons,

[28] Henry, the eldest, and [28*] Walter, the second. Although the present Colonel Delamere derives descent from Henry, the diverging line of Walter must not be overlooked. He married Alice, daughter of John D'Arcy of Dunmow in Meath, and had issue by her,

[29*] Peter Delamere, styled of Ballynefid, who married Margaret, daughter of William Bermingham of Corbally, County of Meath, by Frances, daughter of Walter Nugent of Donore, and grand-daughter of Sir Christopher Nugent of Taghmon, County of Westmeath, knight and baronet. The will* of this Peter bears date 28th February, 1729; and, styling himself "of Ballynefid," he thereby appoints his beloved wife Margaret, with her son Garrett Delamere, and Laurence Fallon his executors; directs his burial in Multifernham, bequeaths £300 to his wife, £2000 to "his own dear daughter,"

* In Prerogative Office.

Bridget Delamere, with other pecuniary legacies to his second son Peter, and to his grand-child Alice Mulledy, and the remainder of his whole fortune to his third son, Garrett Delamere. It appears the testator died without putting his signature to the will, under circumstances of sudden disability; nor did his widow attempt to prove it, the more perhaps by reason of his having been attainted in 1691. In 1753, however, administration thereof was granted to Anne D'Arcy, otherwise Delamere, the widow of said Garrett, the residuary legatee. Of the sons of Peter and Margaret, the eldest, (not mentioned in the will,)

[30*] Theobald, died in 1732, at Rouen, without issue.
[30*] Peter, the second son, married twice, having only female issue, who became connected with the Dalys of Broughall in the King's County, the Nugents of Dardistown, and the McAwleys of Frankfort. As far as present search has been able to ascertain, this Peter the younger was an officer of Horse in the French service, was taken prisoner at Dettingen in 1743, made his will in 1749, (3rd December) leaving "all his worldly substance" to his nephew, Edmund Daly of Broughall, and died in 1750 without issue male.† [30*] Garrett, the youngest son, mentioned in the will of Peter the elder, married a daughter of John Coyne of Lacken, County of Westmeath, by Anne, daughter of Nicholas Gaynor of Black-Castle in same county, and he had issue by her (besides a daughter Sarah) one son, Peter Delamere, styled from his mother's property "of Lacken," who died in 1808, without issue.——Peter, the elder, had another son, Thomas;

† Anthologia Hibernica, vol. i., p. 226.

but, as he died in his father's life time, under age and unmarried, he was not mentioned in the will of 1729. Thus the male line of Walter, the second son of Theobald and Elinor, has become extinct. The widow of Peter of Lacken survived him until 1846, when that estate passed by purchase to Patrick Murphy, Esq., of Balnacloon.

Another Walter Delamere, styled Major, obtained in 1696 grants of extensive confiscations in Dublin, Meath, Roscommon, and Wexford counties, in reference to which he had much official correspondence with the trustees of the forfeited estates in 1701, &c. He made his will* 27th May, 1709, wherein he styled himself of Porterstown, County of Dublin, and bequeathed those forfeited properties, which he had so purchased, to trustees, for the use of himself for life, remainder to his wife Barbara for like term, remainder to such persons as he may by deed appoint, or in default thereof to his executor, whom he names as "my cousin, John Delamere." A Peter Delamere is one of the witnesses to this testament. This executor, John, made his will† 2nd August, 1723; and, while he recognizes a trust for said Mrs. Barbara Delamere, he settles his own property in trustees for the benefit of his cousin, Edward Delamere, and *his* two sons Francis and Walter; and leaves pecuniary legacies to his cousin, Francis Delamere; to his three nieces, children of Richard Delamere; to the two children of Ismay, sister of his cousin, WALTER Delamere; to Dr. Peter Delamere, &c. Lastly of this family, said Barbara, by her will‡ of 10th April, 1734, directed her burial in Clonsillagh Church, and bequeathed her interest in £5,000

* In Prerogative Office. † Ibid. ‡ Ibid.

(29) This "Maurice" should be Lewis" see
monument quoted further on. I think
he is the same Lewis who perished Rath
in 1690. & came to live in Boston -

to her sister Nelly Warren, during her life, &c. All these wills have been examined, and thus fully extracted, as well to shew the influential extent of the name, as to disprove the existence of any lineal representative of the Delameres of Donore, Streate, or Ballynefid in the direct line, other than that which shall be now shewn.

The *eldest* son of [27] Theobald Delamere by Elinor Ledwidge was, as before mentioned, [28] Henry of Streate, who married Margaret O'Reilly, niece of the celebrated Sir Phelim O'Neill. Their son was

[29] Maurice of Streate, who taking to wife Bridget Nugent of Balnacloon aforesaid, had by her a son

[30] Walter, styled of Killeen-a-bough, who married Elinor, great-grand-daughter of Denis O'Hogan, of a very ancient sept in Tipperary, that gave four bishops to the Irish Church and several gallant adherents to the Stuart cause. Their son was

[31] Gerald Delamere of Killeen-a-bough, who marrying Julia, daughter of Patrick O'Reilly of Mullaghown, was father by her of

[32] Peter and [32] Gerald Delamere; the latter, styled of Melahan Lodge, in the King's County, married Margaret Munhall, of the ancient family of Munhall, of Geashill, in said county, and by her had issue four sons; 1, Gerald, who married Mary Anne Conroy, of Killiegh, and has issue, Herbert, residing at Rahenbeg House in said county. 2, Nicholas, residing at Melahan Lodge, said county. 3, Walter, of Killeen Cottage, county Westmeath; and, 4, Edward, the youngest, in the United States, who married Kate, the daughter of Dr. Bird, formerly of Dublin. Peter, the eldest son of Gerald, senior, and Julia, intermarried with Mary Murray, daughter of

Patrick Murray, Esq., of Mornington, and Margaret Pilsworth, of the ancient family of the Pilsworths, of Lacken-wood, in the county Westmeath, by whom he had issue, [33] 1, John, his eldest son, the present Representative of this House, unmarried. 2, Patrick Murray Delamere, of whom presently. 3, Walter, residing at Killeen. 4, Peter-Herbert, a Lieutenant in Her Majesty's 21st Regiment of Foot (Royal North British Fusiliers), who served with his regiment during the late war in the Crimea and Mediterranean, the campaign of 1855, the siege and fall of Sebastopol, the expedition to Kinburne, the bombardment (for two days) and capture of that fortress, and the enemy's strong fort and earthworks on the Siewan of the Dnieper, Southern Russia. He obtained the silver war medal and clasp for Sebastopol.* 5, Nicholas, the fifth son of Peter and Mary Delamere.

Patrick Murray Delamere, the second son above named, entered the service of her most Catholic Majesty of Spain in 1835, under Lieutenant General De Lacy Evans. He was at Arlaban, near Vittoria, on the December of that year, was present on the 5th of May, 1836, when the siege of St. Sebastian was raised ; on which occasion General Evans, by virtue of an authority from her said Majesty of Spain, conferred upon him (then a Lieutenant of the 6th Regiment) the Royal Military Order of St. Ferdinand of the First Class, for meritorious conduct generally, and particularly for gallantry in the attack upon the enemy's lines in front of St. Sebastian on that day. In 1837, he was present in

* See Hart's British Army List, 1856. Published by authority of the Horse Guards.

the whole campaign, and especially at the fall of the fortresses of Irun and Fontarabia, and also at the action and retreat from Andoain. His gallant conduct won the warm approval of General Leopold O'Donnell, who placed him in his staff, "on account of his decided valour and his aptitude for the arduous duties of staff employ on campaign." In 1838 and 1839, he served in the army of the North and at Sesma; and proceeding with General O'Donnell to join the army of the Centre, he took part at Lucena and subsequent operations. In 1840, he was present at the siege of Aliaga and Selva, and the campaign and battle of La Cenia, which concluded the Civil War. In the following year, he did staff duty with General Soane; as he did in 1842 with the army of occupation of the mountain district of Catalonia, to repel a Carlist rising. In 1843, he was named to the Staff of Baron de Meer, and actively engaged in suppressing the rising then attempted, in support of a "General Junta," during the minority of the Queen; he continued on staff duty in Catalonia in 1844 and 1845. In 1846, he was ordered to Madrid by the Minister of War, to frame reports on a new organization of the Infantry. In the ensuing year, he was employed on the staff of the Marquess del Duero, who had entered Portugal to put down insurrectionary movements. In 1848, he was attached to the Staff of the Army of Andalusia, on which he continued during the next year. In 1850, he was ordered to the Philippine Islands, where he had the direction of a successful expedition against a formidable horde of pirates at the Soolo-Indian Archipelago. During the five following years and a great portion of 1856, he continued to serve

in the Philippines. He was five times wounded in battle, and, besides bearing the Cross of St. Ferdinand, is a Commander of the Order of Isabel the Catholic, and has won four medals for distinguished conduct, all which facts appear on the certified records of his services. This officer ranks a colonel of cavalry employed on the staff. He married, in 1843, Elisea Vinyals y Barges, daughter by a former marriage of Madame O'Donnell, now the wife of Marshal Leopold O'Donnell, (of the princely Irish house of Tyrconnell), late minister of war, and by her he had one son, [34] Leopold-Peter Delamere, who stands in the thirty-fourth generation of collateral descent from Herbert, the son-in-law of Rollo, Duke of Normandy.

ARMS—Gules, a fesse, azure, between two lions passant, argent.
CREST—A demi-lion rampant, argent.
MOTTO—"Inconcussa virtus."
SEAT—Killeen Lodge, Westmeath.

JOHN D'ALTON.

48, *Summer Hill, Dublin.*

Rem Duncan Duke of Normandy.
List of the Norman Barons who fought at
Hastings —
Hugh de la Mare was the ancestor of the fa
mily of that name which has formerly been
numerous in England & Normandy La
Croix doth derive the stock from the fief
of La Mare situate in the commune of
Autretot near Yvetot.
Hugh d Avranches surnamed the Wolf
obtained the County of Chester in 1070
of Conqueror & held it in peace by his
Sword as the King held England by his
Crown

Extracts from Mechans
Franciscan Monasteries.

As to the meaning of the word Multifernan it is uncertain
for Dr Jennings Mill for it appears that an Irish
family of that name owned the territory and
had a mile in the Pale long before the Normans
& no they have subsequently styled in the Irish
Mac Geoghegan Mac Herberts possessed a Castle
Ford in Westmeath p 88. There is also near
Multifernan a hill & lake called the Hill of Fearnan
Dyfernon which perhaps means also the Hill of Fearnan
3rd October 1601 Francis Shane came to Multifernan
burned the abbey & carried the Franciscans left to
Ballimore castle. one however escaped & built a
small dwelling house in the ruins & proceeded
to repair the chapel when Francis Markfort with
a body of English troops came down & burnt down
every thing. the friars still returned & in 1613
Fox high sheriff of Westmeath again invaded the
abbey & the following year Sir Oliver Lambert
came with soldiers & Multifernan seized
the Franciscans he found there & committed them
to the jail of Multingar

the last Irishman who held the high office
of Definitor general of the Franciscan order
was Francis de la Mer A.D 1725.
The Franciscans of Multifarnham have a chalice
given by him, bearing the following inscription
P. P. Franciscus Delamer S. T. L. Provincia
Dep. et V. A. Franciscus Hugo Guardianus
Dublinensis Fecit me. Multifar 1713.
The inscription by James Nugent still exists
and bears the following inscription Impensis
Jacobi Nugent & Richardi Nugent de Donower
qui obiit 18 Aug 1615 - There can be little
doubt that the venerable edifice was, under
the Confederation in 1644-5 when Richard Nugent
was Provincial in the Upper & Viscount Nugent
Lord Delvin in the Lower house of the Catholic
Confederates in Kilkenny. We may add that
when the Parliament General made a Road
to the Place in the beginning of 1648 when

Le Lion Couchant of by the Father — Mem. Rem
Sentry Nunnium Varpen.
In the Memoir of Gabriel Berenger he said
that this artist entered Multifarium in
August 1779 accompanied by Eyre whose
Picture of the Funeral Obsequies is engraved
in Prose entitled Vol 1, Plate 21. the Horde of
the Priests bore them a small Hatchet without

Tempore Eliz Regina Molingaer dic
fr p' ante f'ci Thó an 5° Jerald
nup Comit Kildare etiam seis' fuit de
feod de medietat 2o Tat' et 6 carucat
ter in Dident que descendebat p'fat
Jerald etiam / fuit nup civis
de Jeyragh annual' reddit exeunt de
Tr. nes' ter et Ten de Ballintopher
Jon Leambrine et Ten Walter Delamore
in Rathaspick et ½ carucate in
Godlardestown al' Ballyloddard
Tempore Regine Eliz Molingaer 11 Dec
1590 Rich Dute nup Prior d'om Beat'
Mar de Insternagh seis' fuit ut ti
et successit suis de feod de 40 nes'
1 Molenden aquatic 5 carucat ter

100 acr prat, 200 acr pastur, 100 acr
bosc & 200 acr mor in Kynnalea in
dominio de Moibeckoc put fi chart
Jac Delamar ferent dat 16 Mar an
regni Hen VII Imp Regis 18 apparet
tenor cujus chart sequit in orig-
Omnib pntes lras spectare debent Regin
Jnuic et p cell dict nup priorat de
Inuic et p cell dict nup priorat de
Inistenagh et Inuic sunt in tenur Jacobi
Jac fitz Johnst Nugent.
Eccliā sibor libch capell de Ballinfadie
cū decem & fuer p cell possessio pd
nup priorat de qua eccliā prior p fat
priorat fuit seis sibi & successor suis
de feod — Est Inuis pisc cur nup.
Jival de Glenhyshe p teū ad p dī

pmeat dine Monasteri qui ptinet dict
Regin. — De eem ac crescen de 80
acr ter in Fille de Knyghtborde, 120 acr
in pocha cumpis de Castlegad dine all
Callen abbanny, et 60 acr in Fille
et ter de Ballelagin quer pcelle Mo
Monasteri fed a nunc dunt in tenur
Will' Fenes. — Et Jose de Derfadel
et 6 part de la ledd Mone circa fed
Jose etiam quer pcell' dict pmeat
et nunc dunt in tenur Sr Mi Delamar
de Streate

Monuments in Mattapan cem'y.

In memory of William Tidd who died
Oct 11 — 1819 aged 70 years. also in Mem-
William Tidd died at 2 years of age
erected
by John & Frank Tidd

Sacred to the Memory of Mrs Margaret Murray
Multyfarnham who died Feby 12th 1827 aged
80 years also of her father Mr John Tilsworth
aged 82 years of her sister Miss Mary Tils
worth aged 72 years and of her daughter
Miss Catherine Murray aged 17 years.
This Monument was erected by Mr Peter Delamer
as a token of filial affection to her
dearly beloved Mother and in grateful remem-
brance of her friends R.I.P.

In memory of

Colonel Patrick De Lamar one of the sons
Peter De Lamar of Killeen to whom
He served with distinction in the Spanish army
for 25 years through the seven years carlist war
subsequently he held an independant command
in the Philippine Islands and at Porto
Rico until when he died of August 1860
Many he rest in peace.

Sacred to the memory of Mrs Catherine
Mulligan who died 16 August 1834 in the
64 year of her age also Susannah who
died July 5th 1832 aged 28 years.
Adolph E Mulligan died 4 March 1860
aged 5 years. and Mrs Mary Mulligan
died Nov 2 1863.
Erected by Mrs & Mr E S Mulligan.

Sacred to the memory of Walter Peter
Delamere who died in the
23rd October 1574. He has made no will
during life in his power must be therefore
and his deserved neglected
May he rest in peace
Erected by his affectionate wife Thomas Lamb

at the old Home of Cullen where he
died in 1754 & has interred in the Abz.
he possessed an immense quantity of
books principally polemical which re-
mained in the house until my father
has moving to the home of Ballin Dona
when he sent them all to the Convent
when they are stile with his autograph

Copy for Monument found among my fathers papers & never erected It was written on the back of an envelope with the address of Mrs Kiernan Phillipstown who was a relation of the family -

"This Monument erected by Peter & Garret Delamar in memory of their dear grandfather James Delamer who departed this life august 1735 aged 80 years also their grandfather Walter Delamer who departed this life May 1740 aged 35 years also their father Garret Delamar who departed this life august 1797 aged 60 years."

As a dispute between the brothers the monument was never erected

Francis Delamar second son of James
th Maurice (2d) q th pedigree bes born
abut 1690 & educated for th priesthood
at the University of Siguenza in Castile
when he was in 1724 shewn seen a logic
in Manuscript ending thus:
finis logicæ per D. Francis de Delamar
in urbe Siguenæ 14 die Martii 1724
Regnante in Hispania Ludovico primo.
He was in Ireland in 1723 however became
possessed an illuminated psalter pre-
sented to him in that year & one of
th Dowdal family he became a
Franciscan friar & was rector of the order
at Multyfarnham about the middle of
th 18 cent after the death of his brother
who left an infant son who he reared

Peter Delamar died at Killeen Nov 1
1843 aged 68 & was buried in Multyfar-
nam abby.
Mary Delamar nee Murray died at Killeen
Jan 1857 & was interred in the abby chapel
under the large window.

aged 70

Walter Delamar died at Kellson 21st October 1874 aged 60 years

Patrick Murray Delamar died at Ponta Rica West Indias august 1860 aged 55—

aged 61.

1888

Thomas Curran died at Dunmegan Saturday 11th Sept 1869
was interred at Killin —
Anne Coleman nee Murray died X 1874 in
Ohela del Phia america.

Rathaspick (the hill of the snakes) a
parish in the barony of Moygoish Co
Westmeath.

Mullagh in the barony of Castlerahen
County of Cavan 6 miles N.N.W. from
Kells. Built house [illegible]
[illegible] Lake of Reilly

The foregoing Pedigree Continued,

WITH

ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS AND COLLATERAL BRANCHES

OF THE DELAMERE FAMILY TO 1st JANUARY, 1878.

[29] "Maurice, of Streate, who taking to wife Bridget Nugent, of Balnacloon aforesaid, had by her a son"—[30] "Walter, of Killen-a-bough."

This is believed to be a mistake, as from the old genealogy by Charles Lynegar, Irish Antiquary and King-at-Arms of Ireland, lately in possession of Gerald Delamere [32], of Melahan Lodge, Kings County, it appears that this Maurice [29] married Elenor Wall, niece of Patrick Sarsfield, Earl of Lucan, but had no issue. Gerald, Maurice's younger brother married Bridget Pierce, and had issue Gerald, of Winetown, who married Margaret O'Reilly, and had issue James Delamere, of Rath and Dira, who was attainted in 1641 and forfeited Rath and other property in Streate (see Mr. Lyons's book of Survey and Distribution for Westmeath, 1641). This James of Rath, after the forfeiture, came to live at Killeen-a-bough, and married a Mary Delamere, and had issue Walter [30], styled of Killeen-a-bough (see Pedigree by D'Alton), who married Elinor O'Hogan, and had issue Gerald [31], who married Julia O'Reilly, of Mullahorn, Kilgoogay, and had issue Peter [32] and Gerald [32]. The aforesaid

James was father of the Reverend Francis Delamar, of Multyfarnham (his second son), who was born about the year 1690, was educated at the University of Seguenza, in Castile, Spain, where he studied and was in 1724. He became a Franciscan friar in the Abbey of Multifarnham, and was afterwards Rector of the Order there about the middle of 18th century. He died at the Old House, Killeen-a-bough, in 1754, and was buried in the Abbey. He left a large number of books, principally polemical, which remained in the Old House after his death until Peter Delamar [32] removed to Bullinderra, when they were sent to the Abbey Convent, where they are still, with his autograph in almost all of them.

The descendants of Gerald Delamere [31] of Culleen-a-bough, who married Julia O'Reilly, of Mullahorn, were three sons, Peter [32], Walter—who must have died young, as there is no mention of him in D'Alton's Memoir—and Gerald [32], and four daughters, Mary, Elenor, Rose, and Margaret. Mary, the eldest, married John Mahon, of Ballinakill, near Multyfarnham, and had issue Gerald, John, and Peter, and five or, it is believed, six daughters—Julia, Rose, Maria, Teresa, Margaret, and ——, all of whom, sons and daughters, are now dead. John Mahon died in 1837, and was buried in the old abbey. The second daughter, Elenor, married William Blackhall, of Clongiffin, County Meath, and had issue Gerald, who served as an officer of infantry in the English army; William, of Parliament Street, Dublin, was father of Jane Blackhall, who married Hugh Tarpey, the present Lord Mayor of Dublin (for the second year in succession). This

Peter Blackhall left a large family which emigrated with his widow to America Thomas also left a family one son married & was living in Dublin & second Willie is living with D Mullingar. in the Co Meath. there were also daughters.

Dr Lowen was medical officer to the Mullingar Union for many years & when dying requested that he should be buried with the paupers at Fallen & without any pomp ecclesiastical or other Since a neat Cross was erected to his memory by John Delamer.

William died in 1820, aged 55 years, and was buried in the Abbey of Multyfarnham. (See inscription on the tomb, erected there by his widow, Mary Blackhall, a relation of the Gibsons, of Stonehall.) Peter, Thomas, and John—the latter also served as an officer in the army—and one daughter, Julia, who married David Donnelly, of Cabra House, near Dublin, and left a large family, of whom presently. The immediate descendants of William and Elenor are all now dead. The third daughter of Gerald and Julia, Rose, married Thomas Curren, of Mullingar, and had one son, the late Dr. Thomas Curren, who died in Mullingar, unmarried, in 1872, and was buried at Cullen Old Churchyard, near that town. Thomas and Rose Curren are also dead many years. The fourth daughter, Margaret, married Joseph Mulligan, of Multyfarnham, and had two sons, John and Bernard. John went to America, married, and died there, leaving a son, a Doctor Mulligan, now living in the United States. Bernard married Mary Martin, eldest daughter of Philip Martin, of Hall Town, County Meath, and his wife, a Miss Murray, sister of Nicholas Murray, of Cullenhue and Gaulmilestown, County Westmeath, and had issue one son, Joseph, who died in 1840, aged 5 years. Mrs. Mary Mulligan died in 1863, as appears by the tomb erected in the abbey by the said Bernard Mulligan to her memory and that of his grandmother, Mrs. Catherine Mulligan, *née* McDoran, who died in 1834, at the advanced age of 104 years, and the sixtieth year of her widowhood. Catherine Martin, second daughter of Philip Martin, of Halltown, died at Multyfarnham in 1867 or 1868, unmarried. Bernard

Mulligan is now living at the old Mill-house, Multyfarnham. It is believed there are some of the descendants of John Martin now living in Buenos Ayres, South America, and have been heard of not long ago, a friend having met a Mr. Martin there, who said he was related to the Delamere and Murray families in Ireland.

Julia Blackhall, only daughter of William Blackhall, of Clougiffin, and Elenor Delamar, married David Donnelly, of Cabra House, Dublin, before mentioned—both now dead—and had issue three sons, John, David, and Joseph, and five daughters. Ellen Adelaide, who married Captain Delamere, of whom by and by; Julia who died in a convent; Nanny, who married first, — Butler, Esq., of Dublin, and secondly, Dr. Nugent, and died lately leaving no issue; John Donnelly died young and unmarried; David and Joseph are still living, and married, having large families; Elizabeth and Mary are now living at Cabra House and unmarried.

The Descendants of Peter Delamar [32.]

[32] Peter the eldest son of Gerald Delamar, [31] married a Miss Eivers, about 1801—not mentioned in D'Alton's Memoir—a sister of the late William Eivers, of Willyfield, near Ballnacargy, County Westmeath, and had issue one son, Gerald, who went to America, and died there unmarried some time ago. Mrs. Delamere *née* Eivers, died in about a year after the above Gerald was born. Peter [32] married again in 1807, Mary Murray, eldest daughter of Patrick Murray, Esq., and Margaret Pilsworth, and had issue five sons and three daughters—see Memoir. The above Peter Dela-

one of the divisions of the antient territory of Breffny (now Cavan & Fermanagh) was by Murray the modern Surname of Ross (daughter of which the chiefs were the O Murroughs or O Murreys. of which family was Dermod Mac Murrough King of Leinster who brought about the English invasion.

This is not correct Gerald Delamere married in America & left three daughters living at nineteen-mile in Carolina near Charlestown. when Edward Delamere saw them in 1870 they with their mother are Methodists

mere died in 1843, and was buried in the family burial place, Multyfarnham Abbey; Mrs. Mary Delamere, died in 1857, and is buried with her mother, Mrs. Murray, within the Abbey Church, under the big window, as appears from the inscription on Monument erected by their son, Captain Delamere.

In Memory of
PETER DELAMAR, Esquire.
Of Culleendarragh, now Killeen,
Who died, 1st November, 1843, aged 68 years,
Whose ancestor, William Delamar, of Streate,
Miles, founded this Abbey in the year 1306.
Also of MRS. MARY DELAMAR, his wife,
Who died, 1st February, 1857, aged 71 years.
Erected by their Son,
Peter Herbert Delamar, J.P.,
Captain H.M. 21st Regiment, R.N. British Fusiliers.

The eldest son of Peter and Mary, was John, [33] of Lakeview, County Westmeath; he died there on the 11th August, 1875, unmarried, and was buried in the Abbey. He was a Justice of the Peace and Magistrate for the County, and Chairman of the Multyfarnham Petty Sessions, for many years, and was esteemed and respected by all, rich and poor. The second son, Colonel Patrick Murray Delamere, [33] of the Spanish service, died at Porto Rico, on the 19th August, 1860, whilst in command of the troops there, with the local rank of a Major-General, and was buried there.

The following inscription appears on his monument in Multyfarnham Abbey:—

In Memory of
COLONEL PATRICK MURRAY DELAMAR, Son of the late Peter Delamar, of Killeen, Co. Westmeath.
He served with distinction in the Spanish Army for 25 years, the Seven Years' Carlist War included.
Subsequently he held an independent command in the Phillippine Islands, and at Porto Rico, West Indies,
Where he died on the 19th August, 1860.
May he rest in peace.

The following is extracted from the *United Service Gazette* for 1854 or 1855:—

"HURRAH FOR OLD IRELAND.—It is extraordinary, yet true, but read of any gallant exploit either by sea or land, of our own or any foreign troops, and an Irishman is almost certain to be named. France, Spain, Portugal, and South America have each in their turn benefited and praised their gallant Irish volunteers; and by the last mail from China, we find that in the operations of the Spaniards against the pirates of Soloo, Colonel Delamere, an Irishman in the Spanish service, and aide-de-camp to the officer commanding the operations, distinguished himself highly in the destruction of the stronghold of this piratical horde."

He left one son, Leopold Peter Delamere, [34] by his wife Elisea Vinyals y Barges, who is now living in Madrid. His son, Leopold Peter, [34] now a Colonel on the Staff of the General, Marshal Martinez Campos, commanding the Spanish army in the Island of Cuba, engaged in the suppression of the Creole Rebellion in that Island.

Miss Maria Donelan 2nd daughter
of Mathew Donelan Esq of Bally donelan
Co Galway died in Paris July 31
1879 aged 73 this lady was one
of the last descendants of the great
family of Donelan of Bally donelan
which derived from a younger branch
of the family of the Kings of Connaught
which for centuries held a leading
position in the west of Ireland
Illustrated News.

OF

ELEANOR MARION DELAMER,

Of Killeen,

WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE

On the 8th APRIL, 1883.

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Walter Delamere, the third son [35], married, in 1861, Eleanor, only daughter of Mark Kelly, Esq., and his wife, Bridget Strang, of Temple, County Westmeath. Mark Kelly was son of Denis Kelly and Mary Donnellan his wife, who was a daughter of Charles Donnellan, of Jones Lake, County Westmeath, and Bally-Donnellan, County Galway. Mrs. Mark Kelly, *née* Bridget Strang, Eleanor's mother, was a daughter of William Strang, Esq., of Meldrunn, County Tipperary, and Mary Meade, daughter of Walter Meade, Esq., and a niece of Sir George Gould, of Cork. Walter Delamere died 21st October, 1874, and is buried in the Abbey, leaving two sons, Fitzherbert and Mark, and six daughters, Mary, Eleanor, Margaret, Josephine, Julia, and Kate, now living with their mother at the old house, Killeen, Multyfarnham.

The following is the inscription on his tomb :—

Sacred
to the Memory
of
WALTER PETER DELAMAR,
of Killeen,
Who died on the
23 Octr., 1874.
He was much respected during life
for his many amiable qualities
and died deservedly regretted.
May he rest in peace.
Erected by his affectionate wife
Eleanor Delamar.

Peter Herbert Delamere [33], fourth son, late Captain 21st Fusiliers, married, first, Ellen Adelaide, eldest daughter of David Donnelly, Esq., of Cabra House before-mentioned, and Julia Blackhall, his wife, and had issue Charles, who died in infancy, and Julia Mary, who married Walter Roberts, son of General H. Roberts, of Lee Park, Blackheath, and East India U.S. Club, St. James' Square, London, late of the Old East India Company's service. Walter Roberts is Lieutenant and Adjutant of H.M. 66th Regiment of Foot, now at Bombay, East Indies, and has one daughter, Lily, aged 11 years. Ellen Adelaide, first wife, having died in 1852, the aforesaid Peter Herbert married again, in 1861, Susan Beckles (Sue), daughter of the late David Martindale, Esq., and Martha Gittins, his wife, of Grassfield, in the Island of Barbadoes, West Indies, and has issue two sons and two daughters—Percy Herbert and Edwyne Louis, sons; Constance Marian and Geraldine Mabelle (May), daughters. Sue Martindale, second wife of Captain Delamere, is the niece of the late Captain Martindale, of the Royal Navy, who served in the West Indies in the same ship with the great Nelson when both were midshipmen together. This Captain Martindale, of an ancient Scotch family of the name, was remarkable for his wonderful memory and recollection of dates and events of his day; and there is a story told that he was the happy medium of settling a long-pending law suit by remembering that the gentleman, a naval officer, the plaintiff's father in the case, was married to his wife on board of the man-of-war in which he (Captain Martindale) was serving at a certain West Indian port many

Walter Roberts was killed at the battle of Khooshnakhood near Candahar on the 27th July 1880

"Roberts and Lynch 66th rallied their men so energetically that for a time our baggage and stores were saved although more than 100 men were killed & wounded including Capt Roberts who fell dead in front over the bodies of half a dozen fanatics he had cut or shot down -"

(Correspondent of Morning Advertiser -

His poor remains were afterwards recovered conveyed to Candahar & there interred -

JANE DELAMERE,

THE BELOVED WIFE OF N. HERBERT DELAMERE,

WHO DIED NOVEMBER 21ST, 1888,

AFTER A PAINFUL ILLNESS,

AGED 69.

INTERRED AT ALLERTHORPE, NOV. 26TH.

Alfred Haffenden Esq of Homewood
Kent - Lemsford Hall Notts &
Wapplington Manor Yorkshire.
- was a partner in firm Bankers of
London - Hannah Vernon, the Bankers
came from Otley & Malvern the
Vernons lived at Feltham Hall Surrey.
Nicholas Herbert Delamere died
Jany 4th 1898 at Scarborough.

years before, and long before the circumstance of the law suit came to his knowledge. In those days a marriage performed by the Captain of a man-of-war in a foreign possession of England was held to be good and valid. Captain M , on learning that the missing link in the evidence was a certificate of the marriage of the young officer's father and mother, recollected the names, and, on reference to the log of the man-of-war in question by his directions, the marriage of the parties was found duly entered or logged, certificate obtained, and the affair settled.

Captain Delamere is now a Stipendiary Magistrate and Justice of the Peace for the Island of Barbados, and lives at Grassfield there.

Nicholas Herbert Delamere, the fifth son, married Jane (Jeanie), relict of Alfred Haffenden, Esq., who served in the army, 8th Hussars, and of Langford, Yorkshire—no issue. Besides these five sons, there were three daughters—Margaret, now a Sister of Charity, St. Patrick's, Cork; Maria, who died in infancy; and Julia Mary, also a Sister of Charity, who died at Stanhope Street Convent, of that order, in Dublin, 4th September, 1877, and is buried at Donnybrook Convent Cemetery, near that city.

The descendants of Gerald [32], of Melahan Lodge, and Margaret Mulhall, of Geashill, were Gerald, the eldest, who died 12th January, 1877, and is buried at the Abbey, Multyfarnham, leaving one son, Herbert, and two daughters, Martha and Margaret, by his wife, Mary Anne Conroy, of Killeigh. Herbert has sold his interest in Rahenbeg, and emigrated to Texas. The two daughters are living, unmarried, with their mother at Kingstown, near Dublin.

Nicholas, the second son, is still living at Melahan Lodge, King's County, unmarried.

Walter, the third son, is living at Killeen Cottage, County Westmeath. He married Kate Loughnan, of Dublin; has no issue.

Edward, the fourth son, is living at Mobille, United States. He married the daughter of Dr. Bird, of Dublin. She is dead, and has left no issue. Besides the four sons, there were three daughters—Alicia, who married Robert Whyte, Esq., of Robertstown, County Kildare, and had issue Joseph, of View Mount, County Kildare, who married Miss Eggshaw, and has issue; and Mary, who married Andrew Connolly, Esq., J.P., of Clunagh House, Tullamore, and has issue five sons, Andrew, John, Robert, William, and Nicholas, and two daughters, Mary and Annie.

Maria, second daughter, who died a nun in Kells Convent, April, 1871; and Margaret, also a nun, who died at Tullamore Convent, in 1867. Andrew Connelly, Esq., is a Grand Juror and J.P. for the King's County.

The Pilsworth, Murray, and Eivers Families.

Peter Delamere, [32] as before mentioned, married a Miss Eivers for his first wife, and secondly Mary Murray (or Murrough as the name used to be spelled), daughter of Patrick Murray and Margaret Pilsworth, of the family of Pilsworth of Lacken Wood.

The Pilsworth family came into Ireland in the year 1641, from England, and were of a very ancient family in the latter country. This is given on the authority of John D'Alton, Esq., Barrister, M.R.I.A., who compiled

Andrew Jervoise settled first at the Milahans near Lullamore & had two other sons now probably living in the same house.

"William Nelson a native of London & Prebendary of Inniskarra Chancellor of Lismore Educated at Magdalen College Oxford was advanced to the See of Kildare in August 1604. He died at Naas in May 1635 in the eighty fourth year of his age & was buried at Dunfert in the County of Kildare."

Wars Bishops

This ought to be Dunfort 5 miles from Kilcock on the road from Enfield to Naas. there are only some remains of the old church.

the Memoir of the Delamere family. In a letter which he wrote some years ago to Mrs. Francis Pilsworth, of Eccles Street, Dublin, which letter stated:—That William Pilsworth, a Bishop of the Established Church in England, was sent over to Ireland early in 1641, by King Charles the First, in the hope, as the King thought, from his courteous amiable manners, and hospitable social disposition, that he would be the means of civilizing and refining the Irish, then about to take up arms for the King's cause. This Bishop Pilsworth's son, William Pilsworth, an officer in the English service, subsequently married a Miss Petet, an heiress, of the very ancient family of Petets, of Mullingar, who owned large property there, now belonging to Lord Greville, and was part of the Granard estates. This William became a Roman Catholic with his wife, and had two sons, John and Patrick Pilsworth. John married and had two sons, William and Patrick Pilsworth. William the elder was seized of Lacken Wood, County Westmeath, in 1690, about the time of the second confiscation of Irish estates, but was not attainted, it is believed, as the estate remained in the family until 1720, as will appear hereafter. The above William left two sons, John and William Pilsworth John, the eldest, married a Miss Walker, of an ancient family, of Finea, County Cavan, and had issue two daughters—Margaret, who married Patrick Murray or Murrough, of Mornington, late of Cullenhue, of whom presently; and Mary (Miss Polly Pilsworth as she was called), who died at Multyfarnham, aged 72 years, and unmarried. John Pilsworth died at the age of 82 years, and was buried in the Abbey at Multyfarnham, where the following monument exists,

erected by his granddaughter, Mrs. Delamere, of Killeen, in 1827. The inscription runs thus :—

"Sacred to the Memory of Mrs. Margaret Murray, of Multyfarnham, who died Febry. 12th, 1827, aged 80 years. Also of her Father, Mr. John Pilsworth, aged 82 years; of her Sister, Miss Mary Pilsworth, aged 72 years, and of her Daughter, Miss Catherine Murray, aged 17 years. This monument was erected by Mrs. Peter Delamar, of Killeen, as a token of affection to her dearly-beloved Mother, and in remembrance of her friends.—R.S.P."

John Pilsworth died before the Rebellion of 1798. "A bill of discovery" was filed against this John Pilsworth, of Lackenwood, about the year 1720, by Michael Gaynor, of Ballinnalack, commonly called Squire Gaynor, ancestor of George Gaynor, of Multyfarnham, in consequence of an affront given by the family of John Pilsworth to the Gaynors respecting the loan of a bag of oatmeal. Gaynor vowed vengeance, and, as John Pilsworth had not "*conformed*," filed the "Bill of Discovery" against him. A friendly arrangement was however effected, by which Gaynor gave a bond to Pilsworth for £1,000 for the Lackenwood property, and gave it up to him. This bond was never paid by the Squire, as it was burned by accident at a fire which occurred at the house that John Pilsworth lived in at Multyfarnham. The Squire refused in consequence to pay the amount of the bond, as it could not be produced.

The aforesaid Margaret, who married Patrick Murray, had issue Mary and Catherine Murray (Kitty). Mary, the eldest, married Peter Delamar

[32], of Ballindurra, for his second wife, and had the family of five sons and three daughters before mentioned. Catherine Murray (Kitty) died at the age of 17, unmarried, and was buried in the abbey, as appears by the fore-mentioned tomb, erected by Mrs. Delamere, in 1827.

William Pilsworth, the second son of William, of Lackenwood, and sixth in generation from Bishop Pilsworth, who came to Ireland in 1641, married Miss Murray, sister to Patrick and Nicholas Murray, of Gaulmilestown, late of Cullenhue (of whom presently), and had issue Francis, John, and Catherine Pilsworth. The above William died in 1819, as appears, and was buried in the Abbey, Multyfarnham.

A tomb exists in the Abbey with *this* inscription :—

"In memory of Mr. William Pilsworth, who died on the 11th October, 1819, aged 85 years; his son William, who died at the age of 2 years: this token of affection to a much-lamented parent is erected by his children, John and Francis Pilsworth."

There is no record when his wife, *née* Murray, died, or where she was buried.

Francis Pilsworth, the eldest son of William and Miss Murray, married, 13th October, 1841, Emily Aungier, fourth daughter of Mark and Catherine Aungier (*née* Lenehan) of The Lays, County Dublin, and died, much respected by all who knew him, at Eccles Street, Dublin, on the 21st April, 1856, leaving no issue, and was buried at Glasnevin Cemetery, near Dublin.

John Pilsworth, second son, died on the 13th May, 1836, unmarried, and was buried in the Abbey, Multyfarnham.

Catherine Pilsworth became a nun, in religion Sister Mary Frances, and died in the Convent, Tullamore, 11th November, 1867.

Mrs. Emily Pilsworth, relict of Francis Pilsworth, is living at No. 30, Eccles Street, Dublin, at the present time.

The Pilsworth property of Lackenwood, given up to Squire Gaynor by John Pilsworth on his filing the Bill of Discovery, in 1720, came into the possession of a Councillor D'Arcy, of Dublin, who willed it to his servant man and "factotum," John Ledwidge, son of Andrew Ledwidge, of Ballyharney, and it is now in possession of John Ledwidge's widow and children.

The Murray and Eivers Families.

A Patrick Murray (or Murrough, a very old Irish family), was in possession of Cullenhue about 1690, and dying, left two sons, Patrick and Nicholas Murray, and two or three daughters. Patrick Murray, of Mornington, late of Cullenhue, married Margaret Pilsworth, daughter of John Pilsworth, of Lackenwood, as before-mentioned, and had two daughters, Mary (Mrs. Peter Delamar, of Ballendurra and Killeen), and Catherine (Kitty), as already mentioned—no sons—it is not known when he died, but he was buried at Delvin Churchyard, Co. Westmeath.

Nicholas Murray, the second son of Patrick, of Cullenhue, married a Miss Eivers, sister of William Eivers, of Willyfield, County Westmeath, and aunt of the present Eugene and James Eivers, of Grange Hall and Tristernagh, and had issue four daughters: no sons. He lived at Gaulmilestown, County Westmeath. Margaret,

the eldest, married James Logan, of Smithstown, County Meath, had no issue, and both are now dead. Alicia, the second, married Walter Logan (brother of James), of Newgrove, County Westmeath, and had issue one son, Nicholas, and two daughters. Nicholas, of Smithstown, married Miss Aungier, daughter of Peter Aungier, County Meath, and niece of Mrs. Frances Pilsworth, of Eccles Street, Dublin, and has a large family. The eldest daughter of Alicia and Walter, Honoria, became a nun. and is now in the Presentation Convent, Mullingar; the other daughter died young. Alicia and Walter Logan are now dead. Bessy, the third daughter, married John Yourell, of Blackbull, County Meath; both died, leaving no issue. Anne, the youngest, married Scott Colman, a Lieutenant in the 15th Regiment of Foot, and settled in Canada and New Branswick, and had issue a large family of sons and daughters. They went, subsequently, to live in Philadelphia, United States. There is a son of Scott Colman, named Nicholas, an engineer, in California; another son, George, died in Australia, aged 24 years. Mrs. Colman is dead. Scott Colman is still living in America, and some of his family, a son and daughters, also live there. Old Nicholas Murray and his wife are dead. Nicholas died in 1826, and is buried in Delvin Churchyard; it is not known where Mrs. Murray died. A sister of Patrick and Nicholas Murray married William Pilsworth as before-mentioned; another married Philip Martin, of Hall's Town, County Meath, also before-mentioned. It is not known who the third sister married, or if she died unmarried.

William Eivers, of Willyfield, had two brothers,

John and Charles Eivers. William Eivers died, leaving two sons, Joseph and James Francis. Joseph married a Miss Fitzgerald; died lately, leaving no issue. James Francis died lately unmarried. John Eivers married, and left two sons, Eugene Eivers, of Grange Hall, and James, of Tristernagh Abbey, County Westmeath. Eugene married a Miss Carew, County Meath, and has two sons and daughters. James married, and left a large family; died lately. His eldest son, James Eivers, is now living at Willyfield. A sister of William Eivers married Peter Delamere (as his first wife); another sister married Nicholas Flanagan, Esq.: all now dead.

Cullenhue, County Westmeath, the Murrays' old place, is now in possession of Edward Murtagh.

Copy of an inscription for a tomb intended to have been erected in the Abbey at Multyfarnham by Peter and Gerald [32] Delamar to their father and grandfather. Owing to some difference between the brothers the tomb was never put up. This information was given by Richard Kernan (a relative of the family), of Philipstown, County Westmeath:—

"This Monument, erected by
Peter and Garret Delamar
in Memory of their Great Grandfather,
JAMES DELAMAR,
who departed this life, August, 1735,
aged 70 years. Also their Grandfather,
WALTER DELAMAR,
who departed this life, May, 1740,
aged 35 years. And also their Father,
GARRET DELAMAR,
who died August, 1797, aged 68 years."

Colonel L. P. Vineyals Delamere died of yellow fever at Santago in Cuba 12 July 1878.

Col. Delamere died of heart decease at Grassfield Barbadoes on the 11th Oct 1880.

Colonel Leopold Peter Delamere, Staff of the Spanish Army in Cuba, thirty-fourth generation of collateral descent from Fitz-Herbert [1], son of Major-General P. M. Delamere, who died at Porto Rico in 1860, is Heir-at-Law of the Senior branch of the Delamere family, viz., Peter [32], of Killeen. Captain Peter Herbert Delamere, late 21st Fusiliers, is the present immediate representative of the family.

Herbert Delamere in Texas is the Heir-at-Law of the Junior branch, Gerald [32], of Melahan Lodge, King's County.

Nicholas Delamar, of Melahan Lodge, is the present representative of the Junior branch, Gerald [32].

P. H. D.

London, *7th January*, 1878.

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MARRIAGES.

EIVERS and DELAMERE—Feb 9, at the parochial church, Multyfarnham, by the Rev James Sheridan, P P, assisted by the Rev P J Gallagher, Eugene J Eivers, Esq, of Tusternagh Abbey, county Westmeath, to Mary Beatrice, eldest daughter of the late Walter P Delamere, Esq, of Killeen Lodge, same county, and niece of the late General Baron Delamere.

MARRIED.

KEON AND DELAMER—March 8th, 1886, at St. Andrew's Church, Multyfarnham, by the Rev. Thomas O'Farrell. P.P., assisted by the Rev. P. J. Gallaher, Michael M'Keon, Esq, Solicitor, Carrick-on-Shannon, to Rita Pauline, third daughter of the late Walter P. Delamer, Esq, Killeen, Co. Westmeath.

Only child of the late CAPTAIN WALTER ROBERTS, 66th Regiment, who was killed at the Battle of Maiwand, Afghanistan, on the 27th July, 1880.

DIED.

MULLIGAN—On May 24, at Multyfarnham, Bernard Joseph Mulligan, deeply and deservedly regretted.

DEATHS. 1877

DELAMER — Jan. 12, at his residence, Raheenbeg House, King's County, Gerald O'Reilly Delamer, Esq R.I.P.

VERNON.—March 9, at Yorkville, Toronto, Canada, a few days after the birth of a son, Grace, wife of Edward Harcourt Vernon, Esq. (By telegram.)

1881

The Late W. Nugent Delamer.

It is with feelings of very deep regret that we find ourselves, this week, compelled to announce the death of Mr Walter Nugent Delamer. This sad event occurred at his residence, Multyfarnham, on last Saturday. The deceased gentleman, who had reached a great old age, was a member of one of the very oldest families in Westmeath. The family to which he belonged is one which has always been held in high honour and respect by high and low alike, and it is only a natural consequence that Mr Delamer's death should have cast a deep gloom over the neighbourhood in which he resided for so many years. The funeral, which took place on Tuesday, to the Abbey burial ground, was one of very large dimensions, and testified to the respect in which the deceased had been held, and to the great sympathy which is everywhere felt for the Delamer family in their affliction.

DELAMERE—March 28, at his residence, Meelaghan Lodge, Tullamore, N. M. Delamere, at an advanced

DELAMER—April 8, 1883, at Killeen, Eleanor Marion, second daughter of the late Walter P Delamer, Esq, Killeen, county Westmeath. R I P. Interment will take place at Multifarnham Abbey to-morrow (Tuesday) at one o'clock.

DELAMER—March 18, 1885, at New York, Edward J Delamer, Esq, of Mobile, Alabama, United States, youngest son of the late Gerald Delamer, Esq, of Meelaghan Lodge, Tullamore, and Killeen, Multyfarnham, Co Westmeath. R I P.

1879

KELLY—Oct. 20, William S. Kelly, Esq., M. [illegible] of the Hibernian Bank, Mullingar, and second son of the late Mark Kelly, Esq., Temple, fortified by the rites of Holy Church. The remains of this universally beloved and deplored gentleman will be removed from the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Mullingar, at 12 o'clock on to-morrow (Thursday) for interment in the family vaults at Horseleap. R.I.P.

DELAMER—March 27, 1836, at 24 Anglesea place, [illegible]gstown, Mary Anne Delamer, relict of the late [illegible] O'Reilly Delamer, Esq, of Raheenbeg House, [illegible]ill, King's County. R I P Interment to-morrow [illegible]day) in Multyfarnham Abbey, county Westmeath.

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1876

UGENT—May 2, at 55 Lower Mount-street, Nannie Mary, the beloved wife of Edward F. Nugent, M.D. Her remains will be removed for interment in Glasnevin Cemetery at nine o'clock to-morrow (Thursday) morning. R.I.P.

DONNELLY—Dec 30, 1886, at her residence, Cabra House, county Dublin, Lizzie, eldest surviving daughter of the late David Donnelly. Funeral will leave for Glasnevin Cemetery at 9 o'clock on this (Saturday) morning.

DIED.

DOWNES—April 22nd, at his residence, Bellevue, Mullingar, Mr Joseph Downes, aged 78 years.

GUNNING—On the 23rd April, at 52 North Great George's-street, George Robert Gunning, Esq., of Mullingar

DIED.

August 15th, at Porto Rico, West Indies, Major-Gen. Patrick Murray Delamare, of the Spanish Service, son of the late Peter Delamare, of Killeen, county Westmeath, Esq. He served with distinction in the British Legion under Sir De Lacy Evans, and held an important appointment upon the Staff of the Spanish Army, until the conclusion of the civil war, and served in Portugal. Subsequently he held high military official appointments in the Philipine Islands, Cuba, and Porto Rica, where he died respected and admired by his brothers in arms, and all who enjoyed the happiness of his acquaintance. His only child, Lieutenant Leopold Pedro Delamare, is attached to the Staff of the Spanish Army.

DELAMAR—Aug. 11, at his residence, Lakeview, near Multyfarnham, John Delamar, Esq., J.P., universally regretted. His remains will be removed from Lakeview (adjoining Clonbugh Station, M.G.W.R.), for interment in the family burial place, Multyfarnham Abbey, at two o'clock to-morrow (Friday). Friends will please accept this notice.

1880

DELAMERE—Oct 11, at Grasfield Barbadoes, Captain Peter Herbert Delamere, Resident Magistrate, formerly Captain 21st Royal N B Fusiliers, fourth son of the late Peter Delamere, Esq, Killeen, Multifarnham, county Westmeath. R I P.

DELAMERE.—On the 21st inst., Jane, wife of N. H. Delamere, of Langford House, Scarborough, aged sixty-nine years.

DEATH OF CAPTAIN P. H. DELAMERE.

We regret to announce that Captain Peter Herbert Delamere, Resident Magistrate for Bridgetown, died at Barbadoes on the 11th October. The deceased was a member of the old and respected family of that name residing at Killeen, near Multifarnham, county Westmeath, descendants of William Delamere, who in 1[illegible] founded the once splendid Franciscan Abbey, Multifarnham. Captain Delamere served with distinction in the 21st Regiment in the Crimean campaign, for which he received the Turkish and Sebastopol clasp, together with Turkish medal. Also served under Brigadier General Massey in the Honduras expedition, 1867, and was mentioned in the despatches. An elder brother of Captain Delamere, Colonel Patrick M. Delamere, rose to distinction in the Spanish service, and died in 1860 whilst in command of the troops at Porto Rico.

DEATHS.

DELAMER—December 15, 1894, at his residence, Killeen Cottage, Mullingar, County Westmeath, Walter Nugent Delamer, aged 85 years. Funeral will leave for Multyfarnham Abbey to-morrow (Tuesday) at 1.30 o'clock.

1880

WHYTE—Nov 11, at Viewmount, Clane, the residence of her son, J D Whyte, Alicia Eleanor, aged 76 years, relict of the late Robert Whyte, of Robertstown, county Kildare. Her remains will be removed at 12 o'clock on Sunday next for interment in the family burial ground at Aden. R I P.

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